

**LIST OF ATTORNEYS IN THE**  
**CONSULAR DISTRICT OF MARSEILLE**

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Department of Ariège (Foix)

Department of Aude (Carcassonne, Narbonne)

Department of Aveyron (Rodez)

Department of Bouches-du-Rhône (Aix, Puyricard, Marseille)

Department of Corse du Sud (Ajaccio)

Department of Haute-Corse (Bastia)

Department of Gard (Nîmes)

Department of Gers (Auch)

Department of Hautes-Pyrénées (Tarbes)

Department of Hérault (Montpellier)

Department of Lot (Cahors)

Department of Lozère (Mende)

Department of Pyrénées-Orientales (Perpignan)

Department of Tarn (Albi)

Department of Var (Toulon)

Department of Vaucluse (Avignon)

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# **AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL**

## **MARSEILLE, FRANCE**

### **CONSULAR DISTRICT**

The Marseille Consular District includes the following departments : Ariège (09), Aude (11), Aveyron (12), Bouches-du-Rhône (13), Corse du Sud (20), Haute-Corse (20), Gard (30), Gers (32), Hautes-Pyrénées (65), Hérault (34), Lot (46), Lozère (48), Pyrénées-Orientales (66), Tarn (81), Var (83), Vaucluse (84).

As of January 1, 1992, France has two major categories of legal practitioners:

#### **I - AVOCATS (FRENCH LAWYERS)**

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#### **II - NOTARIES (NOTAIRES)**

A French "notaire" is a public official appointed to the Ministry of Justice, and not the equivalent of a notary public in the United States. The number of "notaires" in each jurisdiction is limited, and their fees fixed by law. Their functions include the preparation and recording of notarial acts (wills, deeds, acts of incorporation, marriage, contracts, etc...) the administration and settlements of estates (excluding litigation in court) and serving as the repository of wills. They are not lawyers, but very specialized members of the legal profession. They may not plead in court.

### **THE LIST OF ATTORNEYS**

The following individuals and firms have informed the Consulate General that they are qualified to adjudicate law in the categories specified, and that they are sufficiently competent in the English language to provide services to English-speaking clients. The American Consulate General in Marseille assumes no responsibility for the professional ability or integrity of the individuals or firms listed herein. The Consulate General has neither the authority nor the facility to act as a bar association grievance committee. If you encounter unsatisfactory services by parties listed, however, set forth the circumstances in writing and the complaint will be noted in our files.

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University of Virginia: Juris Doctor, 1962.

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Can correspond in English and French.

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Specialty: General practice.

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